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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
GOTTFRIED SEDELMEIER
APPLICATION NO: 10/564,337
FILED: JANUARY 11, 2006
FOR: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF TETRAZOLE
DERIVATIVES FROM ORGANO BORON AND ORGANO
ALUMINIUM AZIDES

MS: Missing Parts
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Sir:

The Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed May 15, 2006 (a copy of which is enclosed) has a shortened statutory time set to expire on July 15, 2006.

A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a). Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$120 for payment of the extension fee.

In response, applicant now submits an original or copy of a fully executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Please charge the \$130 surcharge fee under 37 CFR §1.16(e) to Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

In response to the requirement to provide a copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form, applicant wishes to call on the Examiner's attention that the application does not contain any sequence listings and therefore believes no action needs to be taken in this regard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

ASSIGNMENT

I / We Gottfried SEDELMEIER, Erlenweg 11, 79227 Schallstadt, Germany

for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby sell and assign to *Novartis AG*, a Company organized under the laws of the Swiss Confederation, of Lichtstrasse 35, 4056 Basel, Switzerland, its successors, assigns and legal representatives all my/our right, title and interest, in and for the United States of America, in and to the invention entitled:

PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF TETRAZOLE DERIVATIVES FROM ORGANO BORON AND ORGANO ALUMINIUM AZIDES

invented by me/us and described in the international application

No. PCT/EP2004/007980 filed 15/07/2004

and all United States Letters Patent which may be granted therefor, and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof, the said interest being the entire ownership of the said Letters Patent when granted, to be held and enjoyed by the said *Novartis AG*, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me/us if this assignment and sale had not been made;

And I/we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to the said *Novartis AG*.

Signed on


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Gottfried SEDELMEIER